



**APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF PERMIT TO ENGAGE IN SURFACE COAL MINING AND RECLAMATION OPERATIONS**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**RECLAMATION DIVISION**  
 SFN 10566 (Rev. 12-99)

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| Name of Permittee<br>Dakota Westmoreland Corporation |  | Date<br>March 30, 2011 |                            |
| Address<br>PO Box 39                                 |  | City<br>Beulah         | Permit Number<br>KRSB-8603 |
|  |  | State<br>ND            | Zip Code<br>58523          |

The above named hereby makes application for Renewal Number 5 of the above Permit Number in order to continue to engage in surface coal mining and reclamation operations within the area described below in the permit during the period from August 7, 2011 to August 7, 2016.

The reasons for requesting the renewal is attached and any changes to the matters set forth in the approved Permit are particularly described in the accompanying revision application.

The applicable public notice provisions of Section 38-14.1-18 of the North Dakota Century Code have been complied with. A copy of the advertisement is attached and affidavits of publications will be furnished to the Commission prior to issuance of the Permit Renewal.

Bond for surface coal mining and reclamation operations and liability insurance will be provided for the proposed period of renewal. Attached is a statement evidencing that the bond is sufficient and will continue in full force for the renewal period and that liability insurance will be provided for the renewal period.

| LOCATION                         |          |       |        | ACRES   |
|----------------------------------|----------|-------|--------|---------|
| SECTION                          | TOWNSHIP | RANGE | COUNTY |         |
| 14,15,16,17,<br>18,19,20,21 & 22 | 143N     | 88W   | Mercer | 2,666.1 |
|                                  |          |       |        |         |
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| <b>TOTAL ACRES</b>               |          |       |        | 2,666.1 |

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| Signature of Official<br><i>William W. Weaver</i> | Title<br>President |
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**VERIFICATION**

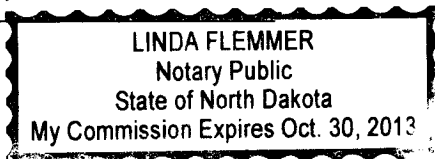
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| Name of Official<br>William W. Weaver, President |
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I, the above named, being first and duly sworn, verify that the information contained in the Permit Renewal Application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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| Signature of Official<br><i>William W. Weaver</i> | Title<br>President |
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of March, 20 11. My commission expires: Oct 30, 2013

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*Linda Flemmer*  
Notary Public